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Dear Sir:

Transmitted herewith for filing is the above-identified new utility patent application in the names of Russell Evan Thorson residing at 2004 W. Seneca Drive, Appleton, Wisconsin 54914 and Paul VanGompel residing at W9029 School Road, Hortonville, Wisconsin 54944.

Enclosed are:

1. This Transmittal Form including Fee Authorization and a duplicate for fee processing.
2. A Specification having a total of twenty-three pages, including a one (1) page Abstract and twenty (20) claims.
3. Five (5) sheets of drawings.
4. A fully executed Combined Declaration and Power of Attorney.
5. An assignment of this invention, including a 37 CFR 3.73(b) statement, to Kimberly-Clark Worldwide, Inc. and completed Form PTO 1595 Recordation Form Cover Sheet. Please charge the \$40.00 assignment recording fee, pursuant to 37 C.F.R. 1.21(h), to Kimberly-Clark Worldwide, Inc. deposit account number 11-0875.

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